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1. AS RESULT OF INFORMAL FEB. 14 MEETING WITH TOWNSEND IN WASHINGTON, DAVIDSON, USGS, HAS CLEARED CONCEPT OF ASSISTANCE IN ESTABLISHMENT SUBJECT INSTITUTION WITH DIRECTOR USGS. USGS REACTION ENTHUSIASTIC THOUGH IMPORTANT FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE REQUIRED REGARDING LEVEL, CHARACTER, AND DURATION OF ASSISTANCE CONTEMPLATED. DISCUSSION BETWEEN DAVIDSON AND TOWNSEND REVOLVED AROUND 6-8 YEAR PROGRAM, RATHER THAN NSF GRAD STUDENTS COMING TO OMAN. TRAINING OF OMANIS WOULD DEPEND ON STUDENTS AVAILABLE.

2. DAVIDSON PREPARED VISIT MUSCAT MID-APRIL TO WORK OUT DETAILED PROPOSAL WITH TOWNSEND AND OTHER GOO OFFICIALS AFTER SPADE WORK HAS BEEN DONE BY TOWNSEND. WE UNDERSTAND TOWNSEND WILL RETURN TO WASHINGTON FOR FURTHER IBRD TALKS MARCH 13. IT WOULD HELP GREATLY IF HE PREPARED FURTHER DISCUSS INSTITUTE WITH DAVIDSON AT THAT TIME. PRESUME TOWNSEND AND EMBASSY WILL ALSO BE IN TOUCH SALIM
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